2009 National HBCU Week Conference

Conference Theme: HBCUs: Yes We Can!

Invited Speakers:

(Additional speakers will be published later)

The Honorable Barack Obama President of the United States

The Honorable Arne Duncan Secretary, U.S. Department of Education

The Honorable Eric Holder Attorney General U.S. Department of Justice

The Honorable Timothy F. Geithner Secretary U.S. Department of the Treasury

The Honorable Shaun Donovan Secretary U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

The Honorable Lisa Jackson Administrator U.S. Environmental Protection Administration

The Honorable Susan E. Rice United States Ambassador to the United Nations

The Honorable Johnnetta B. Cole National Museum of African Art Senator Edward M. Kennedy United States Senator for Massachusetts

Congressman James E. Clyburn United States Congress Representing 6th District of South Carolina

General William E. Ward Deputy Commander, European Command and Commander, African Command U.S. Army

Mr. Earl Graves Founder, Black Enterprise, Publisher and Philanthropist

Dr. Joseph Lowery Minister and Civil Rights Leader

Dr. Ruth J. Simmons President, Brown University

Chairman John Hope Bryant Vice Chairman for the U.S. President's Advisory Council for Financial Literacy

Topics To Be Discussed:

Introduction of the new Executive Order Introduction, new members of the President's Board of Advisors on HBCUs American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 Federal funding opportunities Community and economic development Teaching and teacher education Public and private sector partnerships Enhancing financial accountability Faith-based initiative Access, retention and recruitment Going Green (environmental affairs) Health care disparity issues Issues impacting alumni associations Legislative policy briefing National economy National security International programs Science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) Student faculty support programs (internships/faculty exchange) Title IV policy updates Federal TRIO Programs HBCU community colleges

Campus Outreach Activities:

1102 procurement opportunities

This year, we would like to continue with the tradition of encouraging the HBCU community, federal agencies, organizations, corporations and foundations to schedule activities in celebration of this important occasion. This activity can take the form of a symposium, a community service project, or other events designed to highlight the success of these institutions. The theme for this year's conference is *HBCUs: Yes We Can!*